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I am extremely disgusted in the outcome of this Microsoft trial. Microsoft has clearly broken the rules and yet they continue to only get their hand slapped.

I would like to remind you of other instances where Microsoft has not played fair or followed the State and Federal laws. When I worked for Borland in the early 90's, Microsoft was accused of stealing our code(reverse engineering the compiled code) in a Borland Conference in Palm Springs. Microsoft at first denied any wrong doing but then came out with a public apology. Awhile later, Microsoft was accused and convicted of stealing (compression or anti-virus?) code(incorporating another vendor's product) from a small Carlsbad(Southern CA) software company into their OS without permission or an agreement license. Microsoft was arraigned(tried), lost, and slapped with a small fine. Microsoft responded by investing in the company! If Microsoft can't steal or cheat their way out, they buy them!!

With the anti-competitive browser case, Microsoft was found quilty of anti-competitive tactics(and monopoly?). The outcome: No break up of the company and now a settlement.

I hope people realize we should be setting an example for the next generation and current set of businesses in US and the world - Illegal or wrongful business tactics is not acceptable. They are clearly a monopoly and have been wrongfully hurting other businesses. Instead it looks like Microsoft is being let off the hook for other business reasons - we need the taxes they generate or

I urge you - Do the right thing!! Since they were convicted of wrong doing, throw the book at them!!! Please do not settle on this issue - this action only sets the wrong statue for other businesses inside and outside of the US and for individuals(both the current generation and the upcoming generation).

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